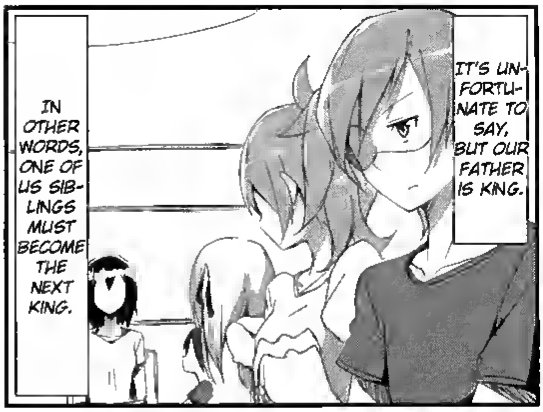
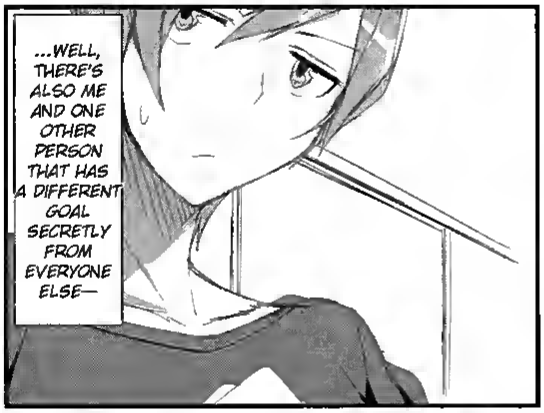
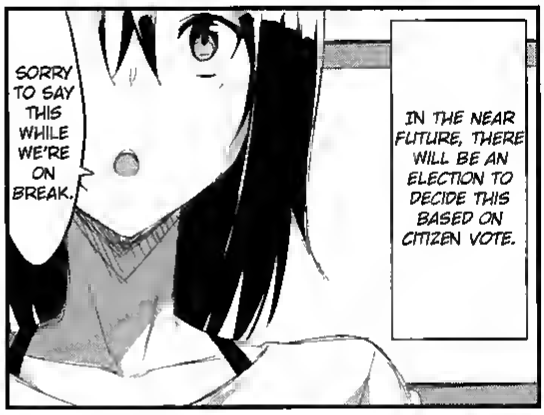
I'M FINE WITH THAT, SINCE I DIDN'T HAVE ANYTHING TO DO.
SINCE WE'RE ALL GATHERED, I THOUGHT WE SHOULD TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE EACH OF US GIVE A POLICY SPEECH.
Okay

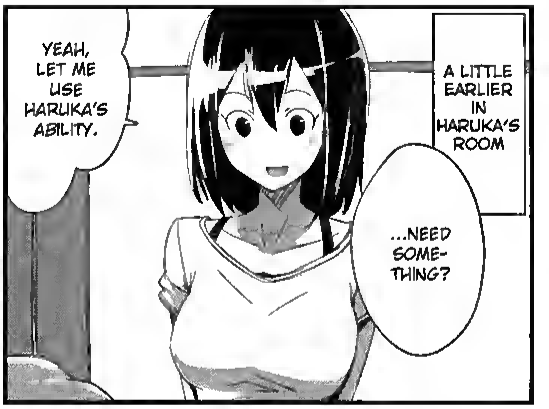

IT'S UNFORTUNATE TO SAY, BUT OUR FATHER IS KING.
IN OTHER WORDS, ONE OF US SIBLINGS MUST BECOME THE NEXT KING.


...WELL, THERE'S ALSO ME AND ONE OTHER PERSON THAT HAS A DIFFERENT GOAL SECRETLY FROM EVERYONE ELSE—

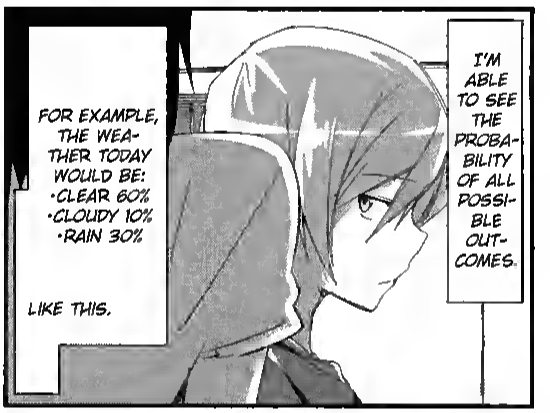

SORRY TO SAY THIS WHILE WE'RE ON BREAK.
IN THE NEAR FUTURE, THERE WILL BE AN ELECTION TO DECIDE THIS BASED ON CITIZEN VOTE.

Well then, we will now commence the Sakurada family opinion hearing.
PUBLIC POLL 9TH PLACE 1ST SON SHUU
PUBLIC POLL 8TH PLACE 6TH DAUGHTER SHIORI
PUBLIC POLL 3RD PLACE 3RD DAUGHTER AKANE
PUBLIC POLL 1ST PLACE 1ST DAUGHTER AOI
PUBLIC POLL 2ND PLACE 2ND DAUGHTER KANADE
PUBLIC POLL 7TH PLACE 3RD SON TERU
PUBLIC POLL 4TH PLACE 4TH DAUGHTER MISAKI
PUBLIC POLL 6TH PLACE 2ND SON HARUKA
PUBLIC POLL 5TH 5TH DAUGHTER HIKARI

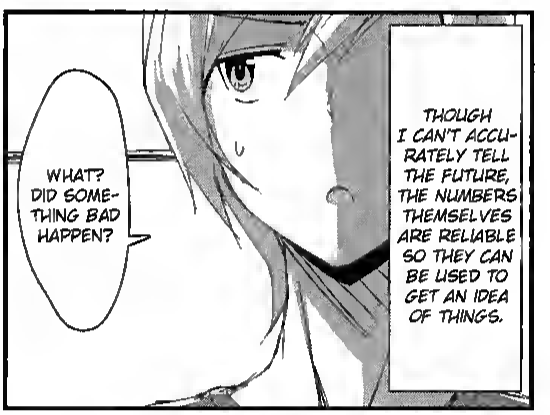
HOW STUPID, DIFFERENCE IN EGG PRICES DON'T EVEN GO OVER 10 YEN.
DON'T MAKE ME USE MY POWER ON SOMETHING LIKE THAT ...


A LITTLE EARLIER IN HARUKA'S ROOM
...NEED SOMETHING?
YEAH, LET ME USE HARUKA'S ABILITY.

YOU'VE BEEN FUSSY WITH MONEY EVER SINCE LONG AGO BUT HOW ABOUT YOU START MINDING YOUR OWN POSITION AS ROYALTY?
IF THE PRINCESS IS SO STINGY, IT'LL AFFECT OUR ROYAL FAMILY'S DIGNITY.


I'M ABLE TO SEE THE PROBABILITY OF ALL POSSIBLE OUTCOMES.
FOR EXAMPLE, THE WEATHER TODAY WOULD BE:
•CLEAR 60%
•CLOUDY 10%
•RAIN 30%
LIKE THIS.

HUH? WHAT DOES THAT HAVE TO DO WITH ANYTHING? WHAT DO YOU EVEN THINK MONEY IS?
OUR FATHER WORKED HARD TO EARN US THOSE 10 YEN!


THOUGH I CAN'T ACCURATELY TELL THE FUTURE, THE NUMBERS THEMSELVES ARE RELIABLE SO THEY CAN BE USED TO GET AN IDEA OF THINGS.
WHAT? DID SOMETHING BAD HAPPEN?

THIS IS THE PROBLEM WITH CHILDREN THAT DOESN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT SOCIETY
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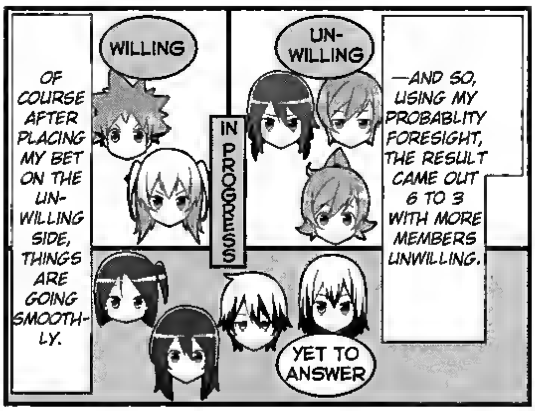
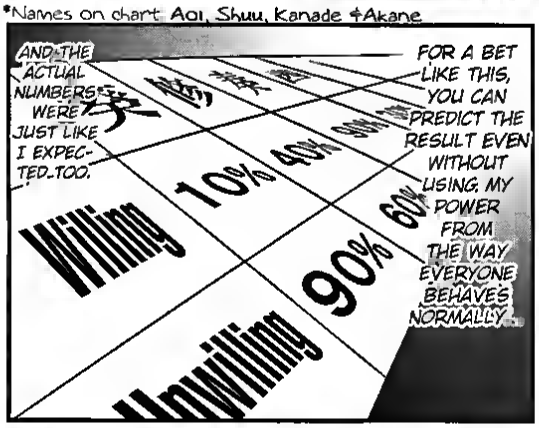
I'M GOING SHOPPING LATER SO I WANNA CHECK WHICH STORE HAS THE CHEAPEST EGGS.
Tell me♪
NO.

LET'S SEE...
OUT OF US NINE SIBLINGS, THERE ARE THOSE THAT ARE WILLING TO BECOME KING AND THOSE THAT AREN'T.
HOW ABOUT BETTING ON WHICH SIDE HAS MORE MEMBERS?
AREN'T YOU JUST A CHILD TOO?
NOT A STUPID ONE THAT DOESN'T UNDERSTAND THE VALUE OF MONEY.
I'LL LET YOU HAVE FIRST PICK. OF COURSE, YOU CAN USE THAT ABILITY YOU'RE SO PROUD OF.
WELL, IF YOU'RE NOT CONFIDENT, WE CAN ALWAYS GO WITH A SOMETHING ELSE.
GUH...
AREN'T YOU ALREADY IN MIDDLE SCHOOL? STOP BEING STUBBORN ON SOMETHING SO POINTLESS AND HELP OUT.
CHALLENGING ME TO A BET? STOP GETTING CARRIED AWAY WITH MAKING FUN OF ME...
...I'M FINE WITH THAT.
OR WHAT? YOU DON'T HAVE CONFIDENCE IN YOUR OWN ABILITY?
YOU CAN'T ACCOMPLISH ANYTHING IF YOU'RE SCARED OF FAILURE, YOU KNOW?
AH, BUT I GUESS HARUKA NEVER HAD THAT SORT OF GUTS IN THE FIRST PLACE.
SHUT IT! MY ABILITY IS ABSOLUTE!
HAH! IN THAT CASE LET'S HAVE A BET!
THE LOSER HAS TO GIVE A GENUINE APOLOGY.
REAL POLITELY!!


OF COURSE AFTER PLACING MY BET ON THE UN-WILLING SIDE, THINGS ARE GOING SMOOTH-LY.
WILLING
UN-WILLING
IN PROGRESS
YET TO ANSWER
—AND SO, USING MY PROBABILITY FORESIGHT, THE RESULT CAME OUT 6 TO 3 WITH MORE MEMBERS UNWILLING.

*Names on chart: Aoi, Shuu, Kanade & Akane

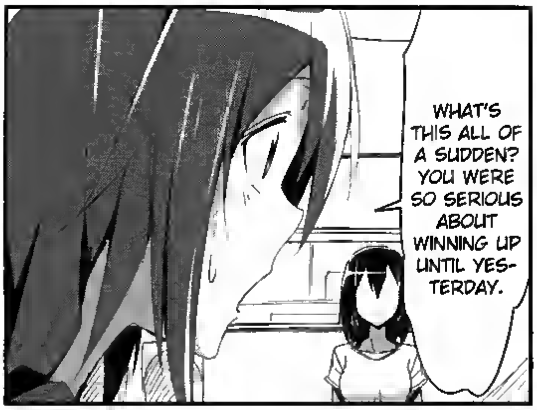

AND THE ACTUAL NUMBERS* WERE JUST LIKE I EXPEC-TED TOO.
FOR A BET LIKE THIS, YOU CAN PREDICT THE RESULT EVEN WITHOUT USING MY POWER FROM THE WAY EVERYONE BEHAVES NORMALLY.
Willing
10%
40%
60%
90%
Unwilling

I HAVE NO INTEN-TION ON BECOMING KING, BESIDES IT'S IM-POSSIBLE FOR ME.
DON'T THINK EVERY-THING WILL GO THE WAY YOU PLAN-NED...!
THAT KANADE NEE-SAN... ACTING LIKE SHE KNOWS EVERYTHING JUST BECAUSE SHE'S A LITTLE OLDER...!

DOES THAT MEAN IT DIDN'T MATTER WHICH-EVER SIDE I PICKED ...?
WHY WOULD SHE SUGGEST SOME-THING LIKE THIS AND EVEN GIVE ME FIRST PICK ...?

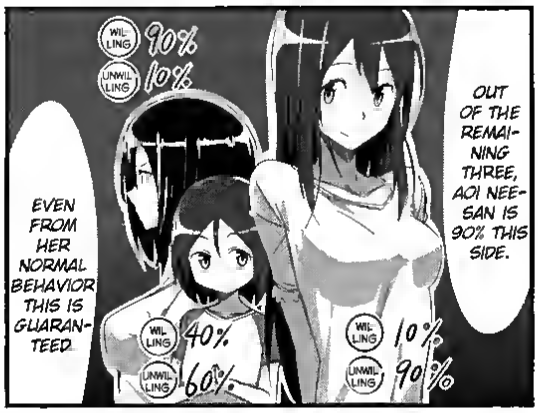
SEE, THAT, IT'S JUST AS I PREDICTED! NOW IF JUST ONE MORE PERSON COMES OVER TO THE UNWILLING SIDE, WE'LL HAVE MAJORITY AND IT'LL BE MY WIN!!
ALRIIIGHT!!

...DOES HE HAVE A STO-MACHE ACHE...?
IN OTHER WORDS THE PROBLEM ISN'T WITH THE RESULT...? DOES SHE NOT CARE ABOUT OUR BET AND IS OKAY EVEN IF SHE LOSES...? NO, KANADE NEE-SAN HATES LOSING, THERE'S NO WAY SHE WOULD BE OKAY WITH THAT...

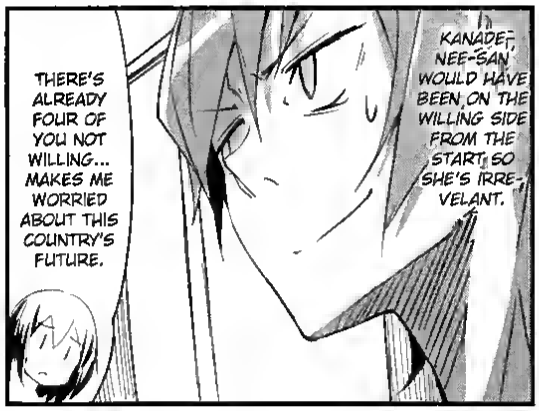

WHAT'S THIS ALL OF A SUDDEN? YOU WERE SO SERIOUS ABOUT WINNING UP UNTIL YESTERDAY.

WILLING
UN-WILLING
I JUST NEED ONE MORE PERSON TO COME OVER TO THIS SIDE AND IT'LL BE MY WIN.
...HMPH, IT DOESN'T MATTER AT THIS POINT, AS LONG AS I WIN THIS BET.
Majority with 5 or more!!

AND AOI NEE-SAN'S GOING TO BE ON THE UNWILLING SIDE ANYWAYS.
BUT THERE'S NO THRILL IF ALL THE STRONG OPPONENTS ARE UNWILLING.

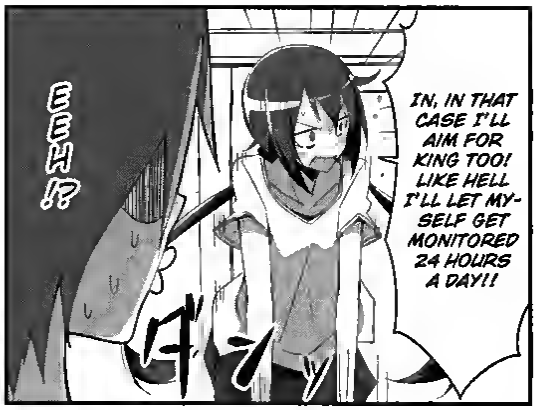

WILLING 90%
UNWILLING 10%
EVEN FROM HER NORMAL BEHAVIOR THIS IS GUARANTEED
OUT OF THE REMAINING THREE, AOI NEE-SAN IS 90% THIS SIDE.
WILLING 40%
UNWILLING 60%
WILLING 10%
UNWILLING 90%

I'M DISAPPOINTED IN ALL OF YOU.
ISN'T IT BORING COMPETING IN A MATCH THAT YOU CAN WIN?
!?
←Willing side


THERE'S ALREADY FOUR OF YOU NOT WILLING... MAKES ME WORRIED ABOUT THIS COUNTRY'S FUTURE.
KANADE-NEE-SAN WOULD HAVE BEEN ON THE WILLING SIDE FROM THE START, SO SHE'S IRRELEVANT.

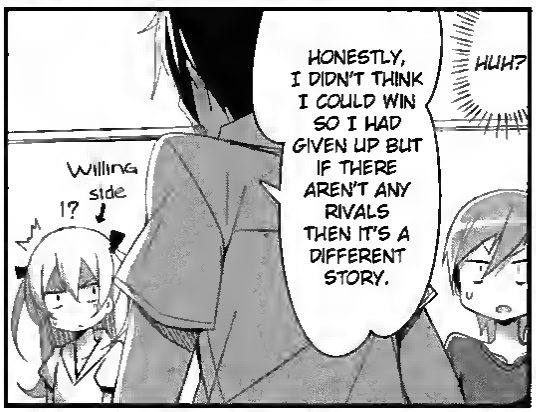
HUH? WAS THIS MEETING MEANT TO BE SOMETHING SO LAX?
I'M DISAPPOINTED TOO IN THAT REMARK OF YOURS.

THEN I'LL GO WITH THE UNWILLING SIDE TOO.
—EH?


EEH!?
IN, IN THAT CASE I'LL AIM FOR KING TOO! LIKE HELL I'LL LET MYSELF GET MONITORED 24 HOURS A DAY!!

HUH...? MY WIN...? EVEN IF IT WAS DESPERATELY LOW, KANADE NEE-SAN STILL HAD A CHANCE TO WIN.
WHAT DID SHE INTEND TO DO BY CRUSHING THAT CHANCE HERSELF...?
THEN I GUESS I'LL CHANGE SIDES.

WHA-!?
ASSUMING THAT I WOULD STOP THERE.


HUH?
HONESTLY, I DIDN'T THINK I COULD WIN SO I HAD GIVEN UP BUT IF THERE AREN'T ANY RIVALS THEN IT'S A DIFFERENT STORY.
Willing side !?

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
JUST HOW MANY HOURS DO YOU INTEND TO FILL A DAY WITH!? YOU TYRANT!!

WHAT!?
I'LL EVEN HAVE CAMERAS INSTALLED INTO AKANE'S ROOM.
With the authority of king hahaha!
LET'S SEE HERE... IF I BECOME KING, MAYBE I'LL MAKE AN AKANE IMAGE VIDEO.

EH?
IT'S GROSS THOUGH.
HA HA HA HA.
Pretty much.
SHUU-CHAN SURE LOVES AKANEE, HUH.

THAT'S NOT THE PROBLEM HERE!!
DON'T WORRY, I WON'T SHOW IT TO ANYONE.

WHAT DO YOU ALL EVEN THINK AN ELECTION IS? IT'S TO DECIDE THE KING, YOU KNOW? TAKE THIS MORE SERIOUSLY.

SHUU NII-SAN AND AKANE NEE-SAN SWITCHED SO IT'S NOW 3 TO 4 ...
WILLING
UN-WILLING
やる気
4:3
CA-CALM DOWN... AND ASSESS THE SITUATION...

I CAN'T LEAVE IT TO ANY OF YOU LIKE THIS
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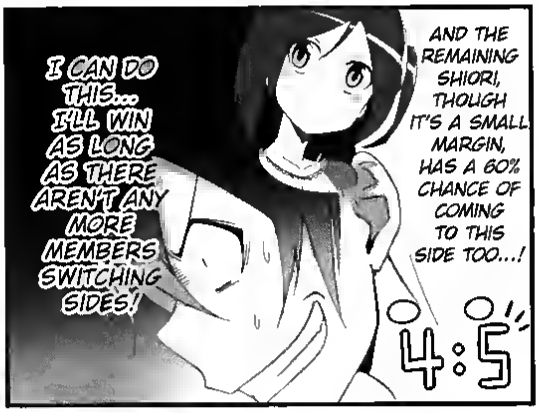
HEY HEY, MISAKI, WHAT ARE YOU SAYING!? WILL YOU CALM DOWN!?

NO WAIT, DON'T PANIC...! AOI NEE-SAN WILL COME TO THIS SIDE NO MISTAKE... WITH THIS, WE'RE EVEN...!
WILLING
UN-WILLING
やる気
4:4
HEY HEY-HEY, AREN'T THE TABLES TURNED HERE!!?

CALM DOWN AND RECONSIDER! I KNOW! IT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE WORRIED ABOUT MONEY, RIGHT!? I GOT IT!
ARE YOU ONE OF THOSE KIDS THAT ALWAYS GETS SWEPT AWAY IN THE MOMENT!? OR IS IT THAT!? DO YOU INTEND TO MAKE AN IMAGE VIDEO TOO OF ME!?


I CAN DO THIS... I'LL WIN AS LONG AS THERE AREN'T ANY MORE MEMBERS SWITCHING SIDES!
AND THE REMAINING SHIORI, THOUGH IT'S A SMALL MARGIN, HAS A 60% CHANCE OF COMING TO THIS SIDE TOO...!
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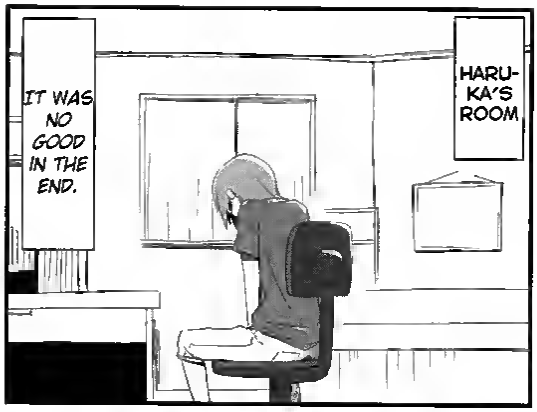
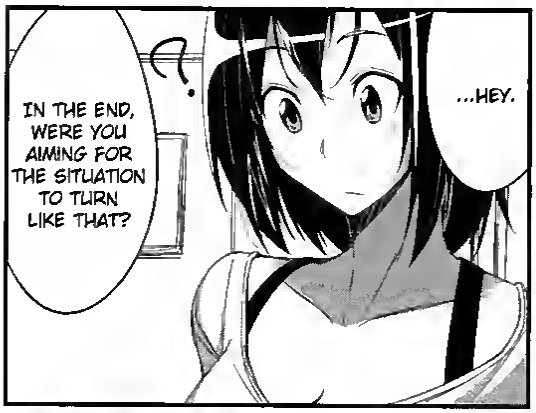
I'LL RAISE YOU FOR THE REST OF OUR LIVES!!

I'M SWITCHING TO THAT SIDE TOO!


HARU-KA'S ROOM
IT WAS NO GOOD IN THE END.

THERE THERE, SIT BACK DOWN, BOY. IF YOU WANT TO MAKE A RUCKUS, THEN DO IT AFTER THE REMAINING 2 ANSWERS.

LOOKS LIKE IT'S MY WIN.

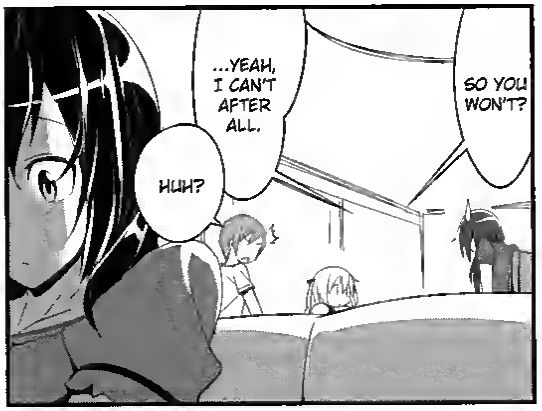

...HEY.
IN THE END, WERE YOU AIMING FOR THE SITUATION TO TURN LIKE THAT?

FU, FUFUFU... THAT'S RIGHT... AFTER AOI NEE-SAN AND SHIORI ANSWERS, THERE MIGHT BE SOME-ONE THAT'LL SWITCH BACK...
FU, FU FU FU FU FU...
It's okay, is some-thing wrong?
Sorry, Misaki.

FUFU, WHO KNOWS?
DAMN HER...

NEXT DAY, LIVING ROOM
AKANE-CHAN, ARE YOU REALLY GOING TO RUN FOR KING?
EH...? NO...! THAT WAS JUST, I ONLY SAID THAT IN THE HEAT OF THE MOMENT ...

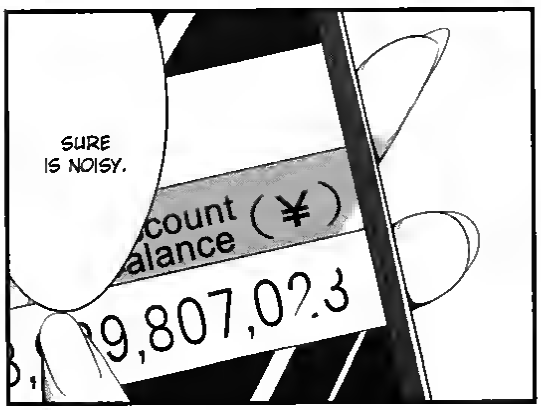
I KNEW SHUU-CHAN WOULD GO TO THE SIDE OPPOSITE OF ME.
BUT HONESTLY, I DIDN'T THINK IT'D GO THAT WELL.


SO YOU WON'T?
...YEAH, I CAN'T AFTER ALL.
HUH?

WELL, IT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE TOO OBSESSED WITH NUMBERS THAT YOU FORGET THE PEOPLE'S HEARTS.
IT'S DIFFICULT TO READ EMOTIONS WITH NUMBERS. IT'S IMPORTANT FOR THOSE THAT STANDS ABOVE OTHERS TO HAVE DIRECT CONTACT WITH PEOPLE AND NOT JUST LOOK AT PAPERS.

WHY YOO-OOO-OUU-UU!
WHA-WHAT!?
GEEZ.

WELL THEN, BOY, IS THERE ANY-THING YOU HAVE TO SAY?
...I'M... SORRY.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NOW IT'D BE NICE IF HE WOULD START INVOLVING HIMSELF WITH MORE PEOPLE.

That's great...
I won't change anymore!